DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Notice of Proposed New Fee Sites

AGENCY: Forest Service, Agriculture (USDA).

ACTION: Notice of proposed new fee sites.

SUMMARY: The Allegheny National Forest is proposing to charge three new fees at the recreation site listed in *Supplementary Information* of this notice. Funds from fees would be used for operation, maintenance, and improvements of this recreation site. An analysis of nearby developed recreation sites with similar amenities shows the proposed fees are reasonable and typical of similar sites in the area.

DATES: If approved, the new fees would be implemented no earlier than six months following the publication of this notice in the *Federal Register*.

ADDRESSES: Allegheny National Forest, 29 Forest Service Drive, Bradford, PA 16701.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Justin Woldt, Supervisory Natural Resource Specialist, 814-363-6089, or *justin.woldt@usda.gov*.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Federal Recreation Lands Enhancement Act (Title VII, Pub. L. 108-447) directed the Secretary of Agriculture to publish a six-month advance notice in the *Federal Register* whenever new recreation fee areas are established. The fees are only proposed at this time and will be determined upon further analysis and public comment. Reasonable fees, paid by users of these sites, will help ensure that the Forest can continue maintaining and improving recreation sites like this for future generations.

As part of this proposal, the Twin Lakes Recreation Area campground is proposed at \$12 per night with a \$6 fee for hookups. The group campground fee is proposed at \$50 per night, and a group pavilion site fee of \$35 per half day and \$50 per full day are proposed.

New fees would provide increased visitor opportunities as well as increased staffing to

address operations and maintenance needs and enhance customer service. Once public

involvement is complete, these new fees will be reviewed by a Recreation Resource Advisory

Committee prior to a final decision and implementation.

Advanced reservations for campgrounds and group sites will be available through

www.recreation.gov or by calling 1-877-444-6777. The reservation service charges an \$8.00 fee

for reservations.

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